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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

June 25, 2002

ATTN: W.P. ERWIN, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
REFUND SECTION
ACCOUNTING DIVISION
OFFICE OF FINANCE

REQUEST FOR REFUND (Improper Fees Paid)

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund with respect to the payment of \$180.00 attached to an Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 12, 2002 in the above-identified application.

A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 12, 2002 is attached to this request.

II. FEES FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	filing fee	AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED
	surcharge for filing the basic filing on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	 .
	and/or	
	surcharge for filing the oath or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	
	extension of term	
	first month	
	second month	
	third month	
	fourth month	
	excess claims	
	issue fee	
	petition fee	
	patent maintenance fee	
	first maintenance fee	
	second maintenance fee	
	third maintenance fee	
	patent maintenance fee surcharge	
\boxtimes	Other: Information Disclosure Statement Fee	\$180.00
	TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED	\$180.00

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III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

Information Disclosure Statement was filed on June 12, 2002 before the mailing date of a first Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3)).

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

We respectfully request that the attached copy of this letter be returned to us with an indication that the credit has been processed.

Respectfully submitted,

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